
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY VOGEL, SCHWANK, SCARNATI, LANGERHOLC, MARTIN,
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FOLMER, HUTCHINSON, COSTA AND YUDICHAK, FEBRUARY 4, 2019

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, FEBRUARY 4, 2019

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of February 16 through 23, 2019, as
2 "National FFA Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Future Farmers of America, now the National FFA
4 Organization (FFA), has grown from its agricultural beginnings
5 into a broad-spectrum leadership incubator; and

6 WHEREAS, The FFA creed expresses belief in the future of
7 agriculture "with a faith born not of words but of deeds"; and

8 WHEREAS, In accordance with the FFA motto, members serve
9 their chapter, community and country by cultivating friendships
10 and planting new ideas and seeds of hope wherever they go:
11 "Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to
12 Serve"; and

13 WHEREAS, FFA in the 21st century welcomes young women and
14 young men with diverse backgrounds, and FFA membership has
15 reached an all-time record high; and

16 WHEREAS, Approximately 670,000 FFA members from 50 states,

1 Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands are learning to be successful
2 leaders in agriculture, agribusiness, agriscience and other
3 fields; and

4 WHEREAS, Many FFA members live far from working farms but
5 have an interest in related fields, including food science, turf
6 management and horticulture; and

7 WHEREAS, FFA members who live in rural areas now represent
8 27% of the national organization; and

9 WHEREAS, Females comprise 37% of total membership and nearly
10 50% of all FFA officer teams; and

11 WHEREAS, Nearly 13,000 young people across this Commonwealth
12 continue to wear the traditional blue corduroy jacket which
13 distinguishes FFA members; and

14 WHEREAS, FFA State President Jenna Harnish of Ulster
15 represents today's diverse FFA; therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the week of February 16
17 through 23, 2019, as "National FFA Week" in Pennsylvania; and be
18 it further

19 RESOLVED, That the Senate congratulate the members, advisers
20 and parents involved with this exemplary youth organization.